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SUBJECT: VESCO CAPITALIZING ON EX-SEC PRESIDENT STORY

JUSTICE PASS TO U.S. ATTORNEY, SOUTHERN DISTRICT NY

1. IN TWO-PAGE CENTER SECTION PAID ADVERTISEMENTS
IN AFTERNOON "LA HORA," ROBERT VESCO HAS RUN
"NEW YORK TIMES" ARTICLE OF MARCH 7 DATED LINED LINCOLN, NEBRASKA,
WITH SPANISH TRANSLATION. "TIMES" ARTICLE REPORTS THAT
CHARGES OF THE NEBRASKA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION AGAINST G.

BRADFORD COOK HAVE RESULTED IN A RECOMMENDATION TO THE
NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT THAT COOK BE REPRIMANDED FOR GIVING
FALSE TESTIMONY TO A FEDERAL GRAND JURY IN THE VESCO CASE.

2. TEXT OF VESCO AD PRECEDING REPRODUCTION OF "TIMES" ARTICLE
AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN QUOTE: TO ALL COSTA RICANS:

MR. G. BRADFORD COOK WAS THE PERSON THAT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR
MOUNTING THE \$224 MILLION CIVIL ACCUSATION OF THE U.S. SECURITIES
AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (US-SEC) AGAINST ME, AND THAT HAS
RESULTED IN PERSECUTION, INFAMY, CALUMN, AND INDESCRIBABLE
SUFFERINGS FOR ME AS WELL AS MY FAMILY. IN ITS MARCH 7 EDITION
OF THIS YEAR, THE "NEW YORK TIMES" REPORTS THAT MR. COOK
CONFESSED TO HAVING GIVEN FALSE TESTIMONY AGAINST ME ON SIX
OCCASIONS, TO THE FEDERAL GRAND JURY AS WELL AS TO TWO

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CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES OF THE UNITED STATES. MR. COOK

ALSO CONFESSED THAT "UNDER OATH, HE HAD TESTIFIED IN A MANNER INEXACT, INCOMPLETE, EVASIVE AND IN CERTAIN INSTANCES FALSELY, IN THE CASE OF U.S.A. VERSUS ROBERT VESCO." THIS PERJURY IS PUNISHABLE WITH A MINIMUM OF FIVE YEARS IN PRISON; HOWEVER, MR. COOK HAS NOT EVEN BEEN PUNISHED. FOR THE LOVE THAT I HOLD FOR THIS COUNTRY, AND FOR THE RESPECT THAT I HAVE FOR ALL COSTA RICANS, INCLUDING THOSE THAT HAVE REPEATED THESE SAME CALUMNIES AND INFAMIES AGAINST ME BECAUSE OF HAVING RECEIVED TWISTED AND FALSE INFORMATION AS THAT CONFESSED TO HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY THE VERY PRESIDENT OF THE SEC, I AM PROVIDING THIS REPORT WHICH SPEAKS ENTIRELY FOR ITSELF:
END QUOTE.

3. COMMENT: AS THIS PAID AD PROMOTING VESCO'S IMAGE AS VICTIM OF POLITICAL PERSECUTION WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE PLAYED IN THE MORNING PAPERS ON MARCH 12, AND MAY PROVOKE QUESTIONS. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE PRESS GUIDANCE.
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